

Proclamation

The contributions of a dedicated educator and community leader are measured in many ways – through the quality of leadership he provides; in his devotion to the students, staff, and faculty of the university; by length of service; and, by the commitment and creativity he brings to strengthening the educational process.

By these measures, Chatt G. Wright, President of Hawai'i Pacific University (HPU), has been an exceptional educational leader.

President Wright's career at HPU spans 34 years, including three decades as the president of the university. During this time, he played a vital role in Hawai'i Pacific University's transition into a four-year, not-for-profit, nonsectarian, career-oriented, postsecondary institution. The university has been accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, the National League of Nursing and the Council on Social Work Education. These were the first steps in becoming the largest private university in our islands.

Among his many notable accomplishments have been initiating the merger of HPU with Hawai'i Loa College in 1992 and establishing an affiliation agreement with the Oceanic Institute in 2003. The President expanded enrollment during his tenure from 57 to nearly 9,000 students. These students represent all 50 U.S. states and over 110 countries.

His hard work and dedication have been recognized with numerous accolades, including the 1982 Pioneer Award, Paul Harris Fellowship in 1986 from the International Rotary Foundation, Hawai'i Council on Economic Education's 1998 Stephen L. Jackstadt Award and the Sales and Marketing Executives of Honolulu's title of 1998 Salesperson of the Year.

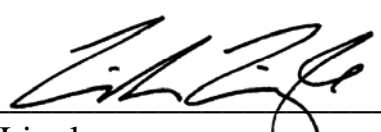
President Wright's proud record of accomplishment provides a strong legacy that will continue to benefit students and community members well into the future. As President Chatt Wright celebrates 30 years of distinguished service as the President of Hawai'i Pacific University, we commend his many outstanding contributions to the future leaders of our community and the world.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **September 17, 2006**, as

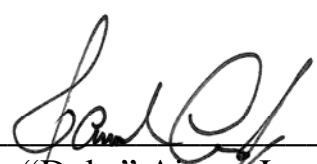
HAWAI'I PACIFIC UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT CHATT G. WRIGHT DAY

in Hawai'i, and wish him and Hawai'i Pacific University continued success.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this thirteenth day of September 2006.



Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai'i



James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i